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TO: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project Department Stakeholders

Executive Advisory Committee Business Transformation Council

Department Support Team Coordinators and

**Project Sponsors** 

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21<sup>st</sup> Century Project

## **RE:** Update on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project

As reported in our January 2009 update, the 21st Century Project terminated its contract with the system integrator for MyCalPAYS. The Project is preparing an expedited re-procurement for a new system integrator to complete the new system. The Project leadership, in collaboration with the State's Chief Information Officer and the Department of General Services, intends to complete the procurement and have a new system integrator on board before the end of 2009. The Project continues to have the full support of the Administration and statewide leadership.

A Request for Proposal (RFP) is scheduled for release in early March 2009, which will include a two-stage procurement that will ultimately secure a single system integrator. This procurement will be performed in an accelerated manner to preserve existing resources and maximize the value of existing Project artifacts. During Stage I the State will award up to two contracts to review and evaluate project artifacts, including critical design and implementation approaches, and provide proposed changes to the State. Only the two Bidders selected for contract award in Stage I are eligible to participate in Stage II. During Stage II, Bidders will develop and submit a final proposal based on the due diligence performed under the Stage I contracts. Stage II will result in a single contract award to complete the development of MyCalPAYS for the civil service employee population. This staged procurement process encourages a two-way dialogue and ensures that both the State and the awarded contractor are in agreement as to the activities necessary to successfully deliver MyCalPAYS.

Once a new system integrator is in place and deployment strategies are finalized, the Project will resume the Department Support Team (DST) activities. The DSTs have been and will remain an integral part in our deployment efforts. We appreciate their professionalism, and look forward to working with them again.

Thank you for your dedication toward our common goal of transforming human resources and payroll in the State of California. The success of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project depends on your collaboration and commitment. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding particular areas you would like discussed in future updates, please email us at: 21stcentury@sco.ca.gov or visit our website noted below.

